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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Yasutaka SAKATA
OPTICAL SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
THE SAME
Assignee: **NEC CORPORATION**
Our Ref: Q79227

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/721,662 (Confirmation No.5822) filed November 27, 2000 of Yasutaka SAKATA entitled OPTICAL SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 19 sheet(s) of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application, and Preliminary Amendment.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2828.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/721,662, filed November 27, 2000; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	11-335951	November 26, 1999

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/721,662.



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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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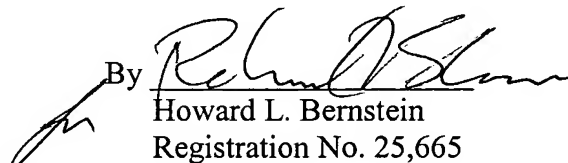
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